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- 11. (SBU) Due to the Government of Nepal's (GON's) closure October 6-10, and post's own closure October 6-9, post has been unable to contact any high-level host government counterparts to assess the GON's readiness to make good on its previous pledge to the UN-African Union Mission in Darfur (UNAMID). However, post has received no indication to date that perceived opposition by the Government of Sudan to non-African troop-contributing countries may have forced the GON to reconsider its pledge to provide troops for UNAMID (reftel). Many of the 200 Nepalese troops trained by U.S.-funded programs are already in Sudan; the final of the three groups is expected to deploy in late October.
- 12. (SBU) On October 10, post's Senior Law Enforcement Adviser consulted senior police officials who maintain that both the Nepal Police and Armed Police Force are prepared to increase support to UNAMID. The GON would like to train additional police for UNAMID but cannot proceed until the UN Peacekeeping Operation administers oral and written proficiency examinations and provides the GON with a list of qualified candidates. Post expects to receive a formal letter from the GON detailing its commitment to UNAMID on October 14.
- ¶3. Minimize considered.
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